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FOR EUR/EE GILMORE

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SUBJECT: DRAFT TALKING POINTS FOR EUR/EE

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1. FOLLOWING MAY BE USEFUL IN YOUR PREPARATION OF MATERIAL FOR DEPSEC VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA:

1. DRAFT ARRIVAL STATEMENT:

(A) APPRECIATE YOUR WARM "DOBRO DOSLI (WELCOME)" TO YUGOSLAVIA.

(B) DELIGHTED TO HAVE EVEN BRIEF OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT YUGOSLAVIA AND HOPE TO BUILD ON CLOSE AND WARM TIES OF FRIENDSHIP WHICH EXIST BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

(C) MY VISIT WILL CONTINUE USEFUL AND LONG-STANDING PRACTICE OF HOLDING FREQUENT CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN YUGOSLAV AND US GOVERNMENTS ON BROAD RANGE OF WORLD ISSUES IN ADDITION TO BILATERAL MATTERS. JUST LAST MONTH VICE PRESIDENT MINIC AND SECRETARY KISSINGER HELD DISCUSSIONS IN NEW YORK.

(D) US ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO ITS RELATIONS WITH YUGO-
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SLAVIA. AS PRESIDENT TITO AND PRESIDENT NIXON SAID IN THEIR

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JOINT STATEMENT SIGNED IN WASHINGTON ON OCTOBER 30, 1971,
THESE RELATIONS "REPRESENT AN IMPORTANT FACTOR FOR THE PEACE AND
STABILITY OF EUROPE AND THE WORLD IN GENERAL AND SERVE THE
AIMS OF BROAD INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING."

(E) AT THAT TIME PRESIDENT NIXON ALSO REAFFIRMED INTEREST
OF US IN INDEPENDENCE AND NONALIGNED POSITION AND POLICY OF
YUGOSLAVIA. I LOOK FORWARD NOW TO HEARING YUGOSLAV QUESTIONS
OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN WORLD, ON PROBLEMS OF RESOURCES AND
DEVELOPMENT, AND ON INITIATIVES OF NONALIGNED NATIONS.

(F) ON BILATERAL SIDE, ANTICIPATE THAT BOTH SIDES IN TALKS
WILL GIVE THEIR EVALUATIONS OF THE GROWING ECONOMIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES AND DISCUSS WHAT CAN BE DONE TO FURTHER
EXPAND THEM. CITE AS EXAMPLE OF COOPERATION: RISING TRADE
LEVELS, INCREASED US INVESTMENT, OPIC GUARANTEES, US FIRM'S
CONTRACT FOR YUGOSLAVIA'S FIRST NUCLEAR POWER PLANT AT
KRSKO (DATE OF SIGNATURE OF CONTRACT MAY THEN BE FIRM), US-
YUGOSLAV CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

(G) (AS APPROPRIATE) CARRY WITH ME LETTER FROM PRESIDENT
NIXON TO PRESIDENT TITO WHICH, MONG OTHER THINGS, RE-
AFFIRMS IMPORTANCE MY GOVERNMENT ATTACHES TO CONTINUING
CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH GOY ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.
OR: CARRY WITH ME WARM GREETINGS FROM PRESIDENT NIXON TO
PEOPLE OF YUGOSLAVIA. PRESIDENT AND MRS. NIXON HAVE THE
MOST PLEASANT MEMORIES OF THEIR VISIT HERE IN 1970 AS GUESTS
OF PRESIDENT TITO AND MME. BROZ.

2. DRAFT PARAGRAPHS FOR TOASTS:

(A) WE AMERICANS FEEL WE HAVE RATHER SPECIAL TIES WITH YUGO-
SLAVIA. MANY OF US OF COURSE HAVE BONDS OF KINSHIP WITH PEOPLE
OF YUGOSLAVIA. MANY OTHERS OF US HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT
HERE AND HAVE COME AWAY WITH PARTICULARLY WARM AFFECTION FOR
THIS BEAUTIFUL LAND AND ITS PEOPLE. IN RECOGNITION OF OUR
KINSHIP AND OF THE IMPORTANT ROLE YUGOSLAVS HAVE PLAYED IN
THE GROWTH OF THE US, YUGOSLAVIA WILL BE AMONG THE COUNTRIES
HELPING THE US TO CELEBRATE ITS 200TH BIRTHDAY IN 1976. AS
A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE OF YUGOSLSAV CONTRIBUTION TO THE GROWTH
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AFW PROSPERITY OF THE US, THIS YEAR WE CELEBRATE TOGETHER
ANOTHER ANNIVERSARY -- THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL
IN THE US OF DISTINGUISHED THEORETICAL PHYSICIST, MIHAJLO PUPIN,
AT AGE OF SIXTEEN. HE CONTRIBUTED SOME HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT IN-
VENTIONS IN THE FIELD OF COMMUNICATIONS - A FIELD OF BASIC IMPOR-
TANCE IN OUR SUBSEQUENT GROWTH. WE ARE PROUD TO HAVE HAD SUCH
BRAVE ALLIES AS YOU IN WORLD WAR II AND TO HAVE PLAYED
A ROLE IN YOUR GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS SINCE THEN -- THE BUILD-

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ING UP OF YOUR COUNTRY UNDER IMPRESSIVE LEADERSHIP OF
PRESIDENT TITO.

(B) AMERICANS AND YUGOSLAV ARE EQUALLY FRANK AND OPEN IN
DISCUSSION THOSE QUESTIONS ON WHICH WE DIFFER AS WELL AS
THE FAR GREATER NUMBER OF MATTERS WE AGREE UPON. IT IS
IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO KEEP OUR CHANNELS OF COMMUNI-
CATION OPEN AT ALL LEVELS. ONE MATTER WE AGREE ON FULLY IS
RIGHT OF EVERY COUNTRY TO INDEPENDENCE, EQUALITY, AND FULL
SOVEREIGNTY. DURING PRESIDENT TITO'S VISIT TO THE US IN 1971
HE AND PRESIDENT NIXON REAFFIRMED OUR MUTUAL COMMITMENT TO
THIS PRINCIPLE, WHICH THEY SAID MUST APPLY TO ALL STATES
"REGARDLESS OF DIVERGENCE OR SIMILARITY IN THEIR SOCIAL,
POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS". IT HAS BEEN A BASIC ELEMENT
IN OUR RELATIONSHIP FOR MANY YEARS AND WILL BE IN THE YEARS
TO COME.

(C) YUGOSLAV MOTTO IS "BRATSTVO I JEDINSTVO (BROTHERHOOD
AND UNITY)." OUR OWN MOTTO IS "E PLURIBUS UNUM". BOTH OUR
COUNTRIES HAVE SOGHT AND FOUND UNITY IN DIVERSITY. BOTH OUR
PEOPLES HAVE BENEFITED FROM STIMULUS OF RICHLY VARIED CULTURAL
BACKGROUNDS OF OUR SOCIETIES.

(D) NOW MAY I ASK YOU TO RAISE YOUR GLASSES WITH MINE IN
TOASTING THE HEALTH OF THAT BRAVE YUGOSLAV PATRIOT IN TIME
OF WAR AND INDOMITABLE LEADER OF THE PEOPLE IN PEACE --
PRESIDENT JOSIP - BROZ TITO. "ZIVEO PREDSEDNIK TITO*"

3. JOINT PRESS RELEASE MAY BE CALLED FOR ON CONCLUSION
OF VISIT (AS IT WAS AT END OF SECRETARY ROGERS' VISIT -- SEE
BELGRADE 3352, JULY 10, 1972), BUT EMBASSY BELIEVES SEPARATE
DEPARTURE STATEMENT WILL NOT BE CALLED FOR.
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